



## GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

### 1 Rules

- 1.1 The Games shall be administrated in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of National Deaf Games.
- 1.2 The Games shall be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of respective governing bodies from the international sports federation and with the integration of certain modification on technical rules in compliance with the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (ICSD).
- 1.3 The National Deaf Games shall be organized by Deaf Sports Association (Singapore).

### 2 Eligibility

- 2.1 The National Deaf Games is open to any Singapore Citizen and Permanent Resident (a person shall be either Deaf or Hard of Hearing), which shall define as a hearing loss of at least 30 ~ 55 dB tone in the better ear.
- 2.2 The age limitation for Under 18 events shall be 14 – 18 years old. There is no specific age restriction for Open events.
- 2.3 A Deaf/Hard of Hearing person must be a registered client of our affiliate members:
  - 1) Touch Silent Club; Or
- 2.4 A Deaf/Hard of Hearing person who is not a registered client of our affiliate members, must provide a copy of hearing test and send it to NDG Secretariat.
- 2.5 The Games is open to any Foreigner who is working in Singapore and must provide the following:
  - 1) Work permit, Long Term Pass, Employment pass or Student pass;
  - 2) A copy of membership card from the Deaf Association in the Foreigner's country or; a letter of support from the Deaf Sports Association in the Foreigner's country.
- 2.6 A Deaf person can register a non-deaf person who must be as follow:
  - 1) a child of Deaf Adult;
  - 2) a parent of Deaf person;
  - 3) a sibling of Deaf person; and/or
  - 4) a spouse of Deaf person.

Non-Deaf person shall participate with a Deaf person in team events: doubles, mixed doubles or a team. Non-Deaf person is not eligible to participate in singles events.

### 3 Sports Attire & Equipment

- 3.1 All the participants shall wear the proper sports attire and bring their own equipment.

### 4 Hearing-Aid & Cochlear Implant

- 4.1 The use of hearing-aids or cochlear implant aids is strictly prohibited during the Games.
- 4.2 Organisations, clubs and schools who register their members for the Games, shall assign the volunteer to assist them.

## **5 First Aid and Medical Coverage**

- 5.1 All participants shall be responsible to bring their own first aid kits and medical precautions for their own safety and treatment.
- 5.2 If a participant gets sick on that day of event, he/she should produce a medical certificate (on that day or before the day) for a possible refund.
- 5.3 All participants must complete the declaration form individually. Participants, who are below 21 years of age, must obtain parental/ legal guardian consent and signature to participate in the Games. No medical insurance claims for all pre-existing conditions.
- 5.4 All participants are advised to obtain medical health and fitness clearance from a medical doctor before participating in any sport events or physical activities.
- 5.5 The Organiser reserves the right, and with its own discretion, to repudiate the registration the registration of any team or individual.

## **6 Disqualification**

- 6.1 Teams/ Individual participants may be disqualified in the event of submitting ineligible participant(s) or unruly conduct of participant(s).
- 6.2 The Organiser reserves the right to disqualify team/participant at its discretion and take further disciplinary action that could be in the form of a removal or a ban by the Organising Committee of National Deaf Games.

## **7 Disclaimer**

- 7.1 The Organisers shall not be liable for any deaths, injuries, bodily harm or loss and/ or damage to property of the participating teams and their officials.
- 7.2 The Organisers reserve the right to limit the number of participating teams. Registration is on first-come-first serve basis. Early registration is encouraged.
- 7.3 The Organisers reserve the right to reject any substitution and to disqualify participant(s) and/or team due to play by an unregistered player, unauthorized substitution and/or poor sportsmanship.
- 7.4 In the event of any question or matter arising out of any point which has not been expressly provided for in any of the rules governing this competition, the decision of the Organising Committee will be final.
- 7.5 The Rules and Regulations as depicted above are current at the time of printing. The Organising Committee reserves the right to add, delete and/or vary the said Rules and Regulations at any time as it deems fit.

## **8 Online Registration and Payment**

- 8.1 Participants will be required to register online and make payment via the Games' merchant partner PayPal.
- 8.2 Participants must read the respective rules and regulations before submitting their online registration.

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